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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

PRESTON BERMAN,

Plaintiff,

v.

CHRISTINE KOTEK, in her official capacity
as GOVERNOR of the STATE of OREGON;
ELLEN ROSENBLUM, in her official
capacity as ATTORNEY GENERAL for the
STATE of OREGON; DAVE BADEN, in his
official capacity as Interim DIRECTOR for the
OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY; ALISON
BORT, in her official capacity as
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, of the OREGON
PSYCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW
BOARD; DOLORES MATTEUCCI, in her
official capacity as SUPERINTENDENT of
OREGON STATE HOSPITAL; STEVE
GUNNELS, in his official capacity as the
DISTRICT ATTORNEY for DESCHUTES
COUNTY, OREGON,

Defendants.

Case No. 6:23-cv-01497-AA

DECLARATION OF CRAIG M. JOHNSON
IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' MOTION
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO ANSWER

I, Craig M. Johnson, hereby declare:

1. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Oregon and I am a Sr. Assistant Attorney General for the State of Oregon. I represent the state Defendants in this matter.
2. I make this declaration based on my personal knowledge and/or in reliance on records kept in the ordinary course of business.
3. On November 9, 2023, I spoke with counsel for Plaintiff by telephone and conferred on the Motion for Extension of Time. Counsel for Plaintiff stated that he did not object to my motion.
4. Counsel for Defendants is in the process of contacting the named defendants and investigating the claims set forth in the Complaint. I anticipate that an additional 60 days will be sufficient time to secure representation, meet with Defendants and formulate a response to the Complaint.
5. This motion is made in good faith and not for the purposes of delay.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

EXECUTED on November 9, 2023.

s/ Craig M. Johnson
CRAIG M. JOHNSON
Senior Assistant Attorney General